

Fort Myer: First
Sergeant's Quarters
(Building No. 43)
North side Washington Avenue
between Johnson Lane and Custer Road
Fort Myer
Arlington County
Virginia

HABS No. Va-1253-B

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ARCHITECTURAL DATA FORM

STATE VIRGINIA		COUNTY ARLINGTON	TOWN OR VICINITY FORT MYER
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) FORT MYER: FIRST SERGEANT'S QUARTERS (source: 1885 map of Fort Myer)			HABS NO. VA-1253-B
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE BUILDING NO. 43			
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) North side Washington Avenue, between Johnson Lane and Custer Road			
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) unknown could be as early as 1850's House moved from 1885 somewhere on Fort in 1894. (source: 1885 map)		ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE) none	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) Originally part of Fort Whipple, this small vernacular building was moved to this site and remodeled into 1st Sergeant's quarters after the post was renamed Fort Myer. It may have been a part of the old Arlington Estate of the Lee family.			
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE) Vernacular			
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) Frame house on later brick foundation; clapboard siding. Composition shingle roof. Wood floors.			
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) see sketch plans. 2 story house.			
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE Small, simple frame house; three-bay front; originally one bay deep. Gable roof with overhanging eaves. Frame screened porch across front. 6/6 light DH wood sash. Door with 2 lights over 3 panels.			
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED) Plain interiors. Vinyl tile flooring over wood. Plaster walls and ceiling. Plain unmolded trim in original front section. Some molded trim, board walls and ceiling in rear addition.			
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES NE rear addition predates move of house to this site. 20th-Century 1-story rear addition at NW corner (originally a porch), German siding. Building rehabilitated 1962. Some modern 6/6 windows. Rear wing has some old 2/2 DH wood sash. Modern rear exterior chimney.			
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE Fair condition. Former residence; vacant.			
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE This building dates from the period before the name of the post was changed from Fort Whipple to Fort Myer in 1881.			
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDING LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.) See attached sheet.			
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SOURCES OF INFORMATION:

"Plan of Buildings at Fort Myer" (Stamped and inscribed in ink on reverse: "Rec'd in QrMr General's Office Jan 5 1885.") NARS, RG 92, E 225, Box 709, Office of QMG, 1794-1915. Shows building labeled "First Sergeant" between Commissary Sergeant's quarters and Quartermaster storehouse.

Secondary and published sources:

Raymond, Parrish, Pine & Plavnick. "Historic Preservation Fort Myer/Fort McNair: Survey, Evaluation and Program." Washington, D.C.: 1977. Unpublished study, typed and handwritten. Photocopy in Planning and Programming Division, Fort McNair, Washington, D.C.

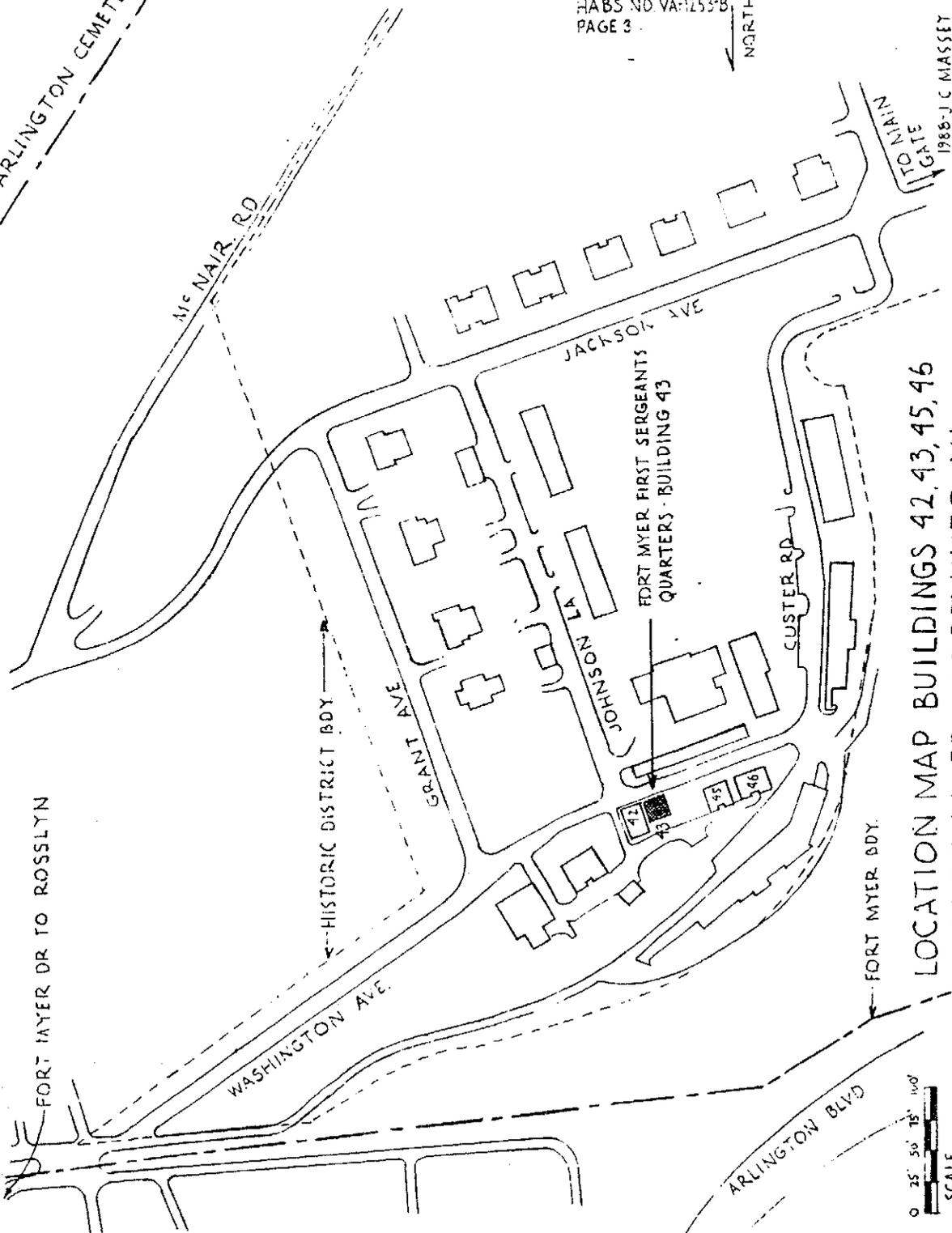
National Register of Historic Places: Fort Myer Historic District, 1972.

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NORTH

TO WINNIN
GATE
1988 J C MASSEY
BASED ON 1983 GENERAL SITE MAP



FORT MYER DR TO ROSSLYN

HISTORIC DISTRICT BDY

WASHINGTON AVE

GRANT AVE

JACKSON AVE

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JOHNSON AVE

CUSTER RD

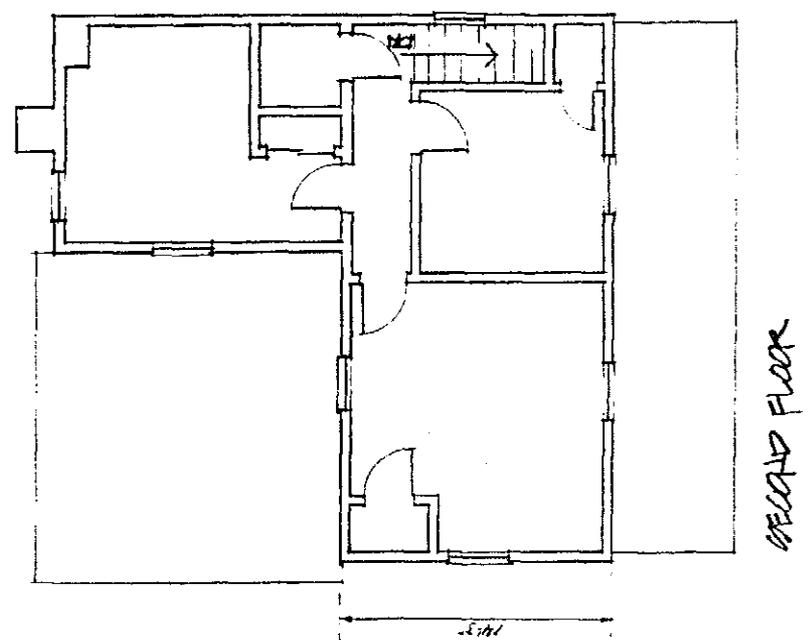
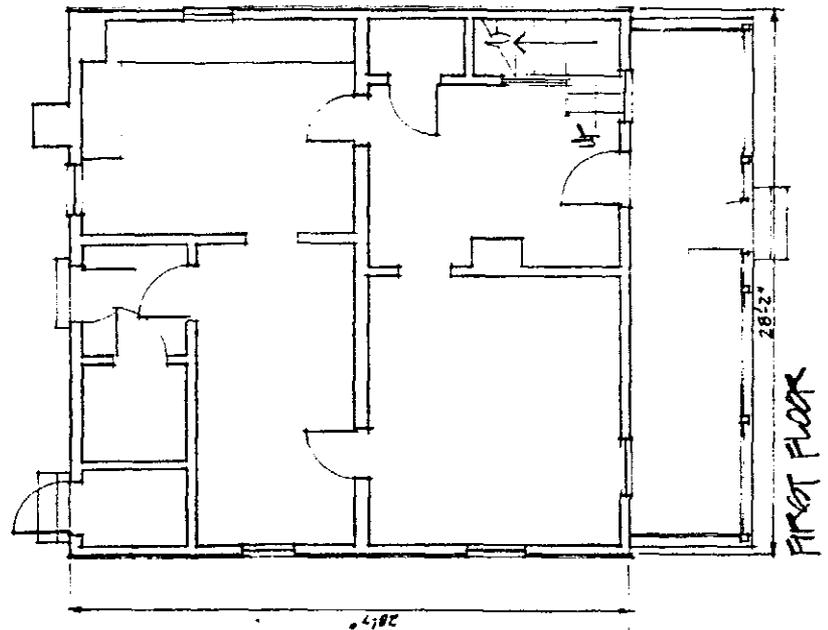
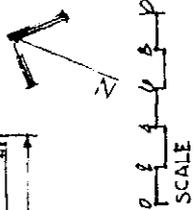
FORT MYER BDY

ARLINGTON BLVD

0 25' 50' 75' 100'
SCALE

LOCATION MAP BUILDINGS 42, 43, 45, 46
FORT MYER, FORT MYER VA.

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